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Ellen FILVAROFF, et al.	)	Art Unit: 1646
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For: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS,	)	Customer No. 77845
KITS AND THERAPEUTIC USES OF	)	
ANTAGONIST ANTIBODIES TO IL-17E	)	

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 3, 2009, in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No./Mail Date 20090126), please consider the following arguments. This Response is timely filed within the three-month shortened period set for the response and requires no extension of time.

**Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.